

Shrimp Committee: Action Guide and Next Steps for Tab D

Agenda Item IV: Biological Review of the Texas Closure

Timeline Status: Information/Action

Council Input and Next Steps: The Committee will be presented with the analysis of the Texas Closure. The Shrimp AP recommended that the Texas Closure be continued for 2017, and the Committee is requested to take action and determine if the Texas Closure should continue in 2017. The Committee may decide to wait until the review of the stock assessments and the Shrimp AP meeting summary are complete before deciding to continue the Texas Closure for 2017.

Agenda Item V: Review of the Updated Stock Assessments for Brown, White, and Pink Shrimp

Timeline Status: Information

Council Input and Next Steps: The Committee will be presented with the stock assessments for brown, white, and pink shrimp for 2015. None of the stocks are overfished nor undergoing overfishing. This information does not require any formal Committee action.

Agenda Item VI: Summary of the Shrimp Advisory Panel Meeting

Timeline Status: Information

Council Input and Next Steps: The Committee will be presented with the Shrimp AP summary. There are several motions that the Shrimp AP made with regard to the Texas Closure, preferred alternatives in Shrimp 17B, and recommendations for future public hearing locations. The Committee should use this information to inform discussion and ask questions regarding these agenda items. The Committee may request additional input/clarification from the Shrimp AP chair.

Agenda Item VII: Final Action on Shrimp Amendment 17B

Timeline Status: Final

Council Input and Next Steps: The Committee will be presented with the Final Draft for Shrimp Amendment 17B and the public comments received during public hearings and electronically. The Committee should review its preferred alternatives and determine if any changes are warranted. The Committee should review the proposed codified text. The Committee may recommend that Amendment 17B be deemed as necessary and appropriate with editorial license given to staff and final approval authority given to the Council chair be submitted.

Agenda Item VIII: Other Business

Timeline Status: Additional items that can be brought up for discussion, but no action can be taken since they have not been announced.

Council Input and Next Steps: Additional items may be brought up for discussion by Committee members, time permitting. If the Committee wishes to pursue action, then action can be scheduled at a future Council meeting.